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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 23, 2004. The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-16, 20-22, 24-27 and 29-32 are pending in the application, and claims 1-16, 20-22, 24-27 and 29-32 are rejected. The following amendments, affidavits and remarks are respectfully submitted.